IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:	§	Chapter 11
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W.R. GRACE & CO., et al.,	§	Jointly Administered
	§	Case No. 01-01139 (KJC)
Debtors.	§	
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FEE AUDITOR'S FINAL REPORT REGARDING THE ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHTH MONTHLY APPLICATION AND THE FINAL FEE APPLICATION OF CASNER & EDWARDS, LLP, FOR COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES AND REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 18, 2001 THROUGH FEBRUARY 3, 2014

This is the final report of Warren H. Smith & Associates, P.C., acting in its capacity as fee auditor in the above-captioned bankruptcy proceedings, regarding the <u>One Hundred Forty-Eighth Monthly Application</u> and the <u>Final Fee Application of Casner & Edwards, LLP, for Compensation for Services and Reimbursement of Expenses for the Period from September 18, 2001 through February 3, 2014 (the "Applications").</u>

BACKGROUND

1. Casner & Edwards, LLP ("Casner"), was retained as special litigation counsel to the Debtors. In the Application, Casner seeks approval of fees and expenses as follows: fees totaling \$15,755.50 and expenses totaling \$26,674.76 for its services from January 1, 2014 through February 3, 2014 (the "One Hundred Forty-Eighth Monthly Application"); and final approval of fees totaling

\$4,404,155.25¹ and expenses totaling \$2,052,100.45² for its services from September 18, 2001 through February 3, 2014 (the "Final Application Period").

2. In conducting this audit and reaching the conclusions and recommendations contained herein, we reviewed in detail the Applications in their entirety, including each of the time and expense entries included in the exhibits to the Applications, for compliance with 11 U.S.C. § 330, Local Rule 2016-2 of the Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, Amended Effective February 1, 2014, and the United States Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed Under 11 U.S.C. § 330, Issued January 30, 1996 (the "Guidelines"), as well as for consistency with precedent established in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, and the Third Circuit Court of Appeals.

DISCUSSION

One Hundred Forty-Eighth Monthly Application

3. We have no issues with, or objections to, the fees and expenses in Casner's One Hundred Forty-Eighth Monthly Application, and thus we did not send an initial report to Casner.

¹We note that the total of the fees requested in Casner's 50 prior fee applications, plus the compensation sought in the One Hundred Forty-Eighth Monthly Application, is \$4,404,155.25. It does not appear that Casner has deducted from this amount any of the reductions ordered by the Court for the prior periods, which periods are discussed in more detail in paragraph 5, to arrive at the figure it seeks of \$4,404,155.25. We note that the Court has ruled on the First through Fifty-First Interim Periods, but no ruling has been made on the Fifty-Second Interim Period.

²We note that the total of the expenses requested in Casner's 50 prior fee applications, plus the expenses sought in the One Hundred Forty-Eighth Monthly Application, is \$2,052,100.45. It does not appear that Casner has deducted from this amount any of the reductions ordered by the Court for the prior periods, which periods are discussed in more detail in paragraph 5, to arrive at the figure it seeks of \$2,052,100.45. We note that the Court has ruled on the First through Fifty-First Interim Periods, but no ruling has been made on the Fifty-Second Interim Period.

4. Thus, we recommend approval of \$15,755.50 in fees and \$24,674.76 in expenses for Casner's One Hundred Forty-Eighth Monthly Application.

Prior Interim Applications

5. We note that we previously filed the following final reports for Casner's prior interim applications, which final reports we incorporate by reference herein, and we also note the following orders that ruled on Casner's prior interim fee applications:

Fee Auditor's Final Report Regarding First Interim Application of Casner & Edwards, LLP (Docket #2840), filed on or about October 18, 2002, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$289,916.00 and expenses totaling \$13,794.15. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the First, Second and Third Periods, dated November 25, 2002 (Docket #3091).

4th Period: Fee Auditor's Final Report Regarding Fee Application of Casner & Edwards,

LLP for the Fourth Interim Quarter (Docket #2454), filed on or about July 29,

2002, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$580,976.50 and
expenses totaling \$96,031.15, reflecting our recommended reduction of
\$720.00 in fees, as further explained in paragraph 9 of that final report.

These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee

Applications for the Fourth Period, dated October 9, 2002 (Docket #2797).

5th Period: Fee Auditor's Final Report Regarding Fee Application of Casner & Edwards,

LLP for the Fifth Interim Period (Docket #2927), filed on or about November

4, 2002, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$614,567.00

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and expenses totaling \$59,120.55. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Fifth Period, dated November 25, 2002 (Docket #3092).

6th Period:

Fee Auditor's Final Report Regarding Fee Application of Casner & Edwards, LLP for the Sixth Interim Period (Docket #3319), filed on or about February 5, 2003, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$168,755.00 and expenses totaling \$37,247.96. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Sixth Period, dated March 14, 2003 (Docket #3511).

7th Period:

Fee Auditor's Final Report Regarding Fee Application of Casner & Edwards, LLP for the Seventh Interim Period (Docket #3667), filed on or about April 15, 2003, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$119,630.00 and expenses totaling \$45,832.30, reflecting our recommended reduction of \$376.00 in fees, as further explained in paragraph 4 of that final report. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Seventh Period, dated July 28, 2003 (Docket #4157).

8th Period:

<u>Fee Auditor's Final Report Regarding Fee Application of Casner & Edwards</u>, <u>LLP for the Eighth Interim Period</u> (Docket #3974), filed on or about June 27, 2003, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$109,454.00 and expenses totaling \$31,857.05. These recommendations were adopted in the <u>Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Eighth Period</u>, dated September 22, 2003 (Docket #4480).

9th Period: Fee Auditor's Final Report Regarding Fee Application of Casner & Edwards,

LLP for the Ninth Interim Period (Docket #4481), filed on or about

September 25, 2003, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling

\$51,043.50 and expenses totaling \$40,022.15, reflecting our recommended

reduction of \$39.36 in expenses, as further explained in paragraph 4 of that

final report. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving

Quarterly Fee Applications for the Ninth Period, dated December 15, 2003

(Docket #4827).

10th Period: Fee Auditor's Final Report Regarding Fee Application of Casner & Edwards,

LLP for the Tenth Interim Period (Docket #4999), filed on or about January

27, 2004, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$33,123.50

and expenses totaling \$39,226.37. These recommendations were adopted in
the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Tenth Period, dated

April 26, 2004 (Docket #5482).

11th Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications

With No Fee or Expense Issues for the Eleventh Interim Period (Docket #5675), filed on or about June 1, 2004, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$37,221.00 and expenses totaling \$27,154.36. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Eleventh Period, dated June 16, 2004 (Docket #5822).

12th Period: <u>Fee Auditor's Amended Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee</u>

Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twelfth Interim Period

(Docket #6320), filed on or about September 3, 2004, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$40,354.00 and expenses totaling \$52,104.40. These recommendations were adopted in the <u>Order Approving</u> <u>Quarterly Fee Applications for the Twelfth Period</u>, dated September 27, 2004 (Docket #6465).

Quarterly Fee Applications for the Thirteenth Period, dated January 26, 2005

13th Period: Fee Auditor's Amended Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirteenth Interim Period (Docket #7013), filed on or about November 22, 2004, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$33,250.50 and expenses totaling \$49,074.05. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving

(Docket #7622).

14th Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Fourteenth Interim Period (Docket #7982), filed on or about March 8, 2005, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$66,584.00 and expenses totaling \$42,338.01. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Fourteenth Interim Period, dated March 22, 2005 (Docket #8081).

15th Period: <u>Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications</u>
with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Fifteenth Interim Period (Docket
#8561), filed on or about June 6, 2005, in which we recommended approval

of fees totaling \$64,935.00 and expenses totaling \$45,135.82 These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Fifteenth Period, dated June 29, 2005(Docket #8728).

16th Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Sixteenth Interim Period (Docket #9387), filed on or about September 12, 2005, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$46,148.00 and expenses totaling \$39,253.81. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Sixteenth Period, dated September 27, 2005 (Docket #9513).

17th Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Seventeenth Interim Period (Docket #11168), filed on or about November 28, 2005, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$62,029.00 and expenses totaling \$42,821.81. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Seventeenth Period, dated December 21, 2005 (Docket #11402).

18th Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Eighteenth Interim Period (Docket #12019), filed on or about March 9, 2006, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$57,790.00 and expenses totaling \$39,986.42. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee

Applications for the Eighteenth Period, dated March 27, 2006 (Docket #12121).

19th Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Nineteenth Interim Period (Docket #12525), filed on or about May 25, 2006, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$149,874.00 and expenses totaling \$44,228.87.

These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Nineteenth Period, dated June 16, 2006 (Docket #12660).

20th Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twentieth Interim Period (Docket #13183), filed on or about September 8, 2006, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$124,515.00 and expenses totaling \$55,185.90.

These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Twentieth Period, dated September 26, 2006 (Docket #13298).

21st Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications
with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twenty-First Interim Period (Docket
#13963), filed on or about December 8, 2006, in which we recommended
approval of fees totaling \$84,451.00 and expenses totaling \$42,354.45.
These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee
Applications for the Twenty-First Period, dated December 19, 2006 (Docket

#14069).

22nd Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twenty-Second Interim Period (Docket #14868), filed on or about March 15, 2007, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$86,097.00 and expenses totaling \$42,569.66. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Twenty-Second Period, dated May 3, 2007 (Docket #15494).

23rd Period: Fee Auditor's Amended Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twenty-Third Interim Period (Docket #16037), filed on or about June 13, 2007, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$87,474.00 and expenses totaling \$51,743.34. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Twenty-Third Period, dated June 20, 2007 (Docket #16105).

24th Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twenty-Fourth Interim Period (Docket #16786), filed on or about September 10, 2007, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$65,374.00 and expenses totaling \$36,579.48.

These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Twenty-Fourth Period, dated September 25, 2007 (Docket #16916).

25th Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twenty-Fifth Interim Period (Docket #17542), filed on or about December 4, 2007, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$33,300.00 and expenses totaling \$41,410.62.

These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Twenty-Fifth Period, dated December 13, 2007 (Docket #17629).

26th Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twenty-Sixth Interim Period (Docket #18176), filed on or about February 29, 2008, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$41,508.00 and expenses totaling \$40,554.43.

These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Twenty-Sixth Period, dated March 12, 2008 (Docket #18270).

27th Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twenty-Seventh Interim Period (Docket #18887), filed on or about June 9, 2008, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$41,915.00 and expenses totaling \$36,708.32.

These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Twenty-Seventh Period, dated June 23, 2008 (Docket #18989).

28th Period: <u>Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications</u>

with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twenty-Eighth Interim Period (Docket #19535), filed on or about September 15, 2008, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$42,785.50 and expenses totaling \$39,275.71. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Twenty-Eighth Period, dated October 1, 2008 (Docket #19663).

29th Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Twenty-Ninth Interim Period (Docket #20150), filed on or about November 26, 2008, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$57,638.00 and expenses totaling \$38,097.81. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Twenty-Ninth Period, dated December 17, 2008 (Docket #20283).

30th Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirtieth Interim Period (Docket #21063), filed on or about March 21, 2009, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$195,029.00 and expenses totaling \$42,628.85.

These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Thirtieth Period, dated April 2, 2009 (Docket #21173).

31st Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirty-First Interim Period (Docket #22047), filed on or about June 10, 2009, in which we recommended

approval of fees totaling \$256,560.50 and expenses totaling \$48,264.30. These recommendations were adopted in the <u>Order Approving Quarterly Fee</u>

Applications for the Thirty-First Period, dated July 7, 2009 (Docket #22354).

32nd Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirty-Second Interim Period (Docket #23240), filed on or about September 15, 2009, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$65,478.50 and expenses totaling \$46,924.64. These recommendations were adopted in the <u>Order Approving</u> Quarterly Fee Applications for the Thirty-Second Period, dated September 28, 2009 (Docket #23352).

33rd Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirty-Third Interim Period (Docket #23927), filed on or about December 3, 2009, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$35,963.50 and expenses totaling \$41,303.79. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Thirty-Third Period, dated December 11, 2009 (Docket #23996).

34th Period:

Fee Auditor's Amended Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirty-Fourth Interim Period (Docket #24438), filed on or about March 11, 2010, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$39,699.50 and expenses totaling \$38,364.93. These recommendations were adopted in the <u>Order</u>

Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Thirty-Fourth Period, dated March 19, 2010 (Docket #24470).

Sth Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirty-Fifth Interim Period (Docket #24856), filed on or about May 28, 2010, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$42,852.00 and expenses totaling \$41,671.09. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Thirty-Fifth Period, dated June 7, 2010 (Docket #24917).

36th Period: Fee Auditor's Amended Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirty-Sixth Interim Period (Docket #25384), filed on or about September 10, 2010, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$34,191.50 and expenses totaling \$40,582.18. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Thirty-Sixth Period, dated September 13, 2010 (Docket #25397).

37th Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirty-Seventh Interim Period (Docket #25850), filed on or about December 2, 2010, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$29,029.25 and expenses totaling \$36,778.94.

These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Thirty-Seventh Period, dated December 10, 2010

(Docket #25905).

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirty-Eighth Interim Period (Docket #26519), filed on or about March 9, 2011, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$32,562.00 and expenses totaling \$37,623.49.

These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Thirty-Eighth Period, dated March 25, 2011 (Docket #26627).

39th Period: Fee Auditor's Amended Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with No Fee or Expense Issues for the Thirty-Ninth Interim Period (Docket #27116), filed on or about June 21, 2011, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$36,913.00 and expenses totaling \$34,911.91. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Thirty-Ninth Period, dated June 30, 2011 (Docket #27188).

40th Period: Fee Auditor's Amended Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Fortieth Interim Period (Docket #27507), filed on or about August 25, 2011, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$41,162.00 and expenses totaling \$40,252.47. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Fortieth Period, dated September 20, 2011 (Docket #27622).

41st Period: Fee Auditor's Amended Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Forty-First Interim Period (Docket #28070), filed on or about December 2, 2011, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$40,329.50 and expenses totaling \$38,258.14. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Forty-First Period, dated December 14, 2011 (Docket #28150).

42nd Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Forty-Second Interim Period (Docket #28548), filed on or about February 20, 2012, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$36,336.50 and expenses totaling \$30,705.22. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Forty-Second Period, dated March 23, 2012 (Docket #28705).

43rd Period: Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Forty-Third Interim

Period (Docket #28900), filed on or about May 9, 2012, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$40,181.50 and expenses totaling \$37,046.43. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Forty-Third Period, dated June 14, 2012 (Docket #29054).

44th Period: <u>Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications</u>

with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Forty-Fourth Interim Period (Docket #29449), filed on or about August 13, 2012, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$40,257.50 and expenses totaling \$38,516.54. These recommendations were adopted in the <u>Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Forty-Fourth Period</u>, dated October 19, 2012 (Docket #29746).

45th Period:

Fee Auditor's Amended Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Forty-Fifth Interim Period (Docket #29988), filed on or about December 4, 2012, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$33,176.50 and expenses totaling \$38,106.69. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Forty-Fifth Period, dated December 11, 2012 (Docket #30036).

46th Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Forty-Sixth Interim Period (Docket #30382), filed on or about March 7, 2013, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$13,496.00 and expenses totaling \$37,342.43. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Forty-Sixth Period, dated March 27, 2013 (Docket #30440).

47th Period:

Fee Auditor's Amended Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee

Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Forty-

Seventh Interim Period (Docket #30840), filed on or about July 17, 2013, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$30,434.00 and expenses totaling \$37,908.96. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Forty-Seventh Period, dated July 31, 2013 (Docket #30907).

48th Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Forty-Eighth Interim Period (Docket #31080), filed on or about September 6, 2013, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$38,263.00 and expenses totaling \$37,985.12. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Forty-Eighth Period, dated September 24, 2013 (Docket #31158).

49th Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Forty-Ninth Interim Period (Docket #31404), filed on or about November 26, 2013, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$33,562.00 and expenses totaling \$37,268.85. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Forty-Ninth Period, dated December 17, 2013 (Docket #31482).

50th Period:

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Fiftieth Interim Period (Docket #31838), filed on or about March 11, 2014, in which we

recommended approval of fees totaling \$34,990.00 and expenses totaling \$37,549.86. These recommendations were adopted in the <u>Order Approving</u>

Quarterly Fee Applications for the Fiftieth Period, dated March 31, 2014

(Docket #31963).

Fee Auditor's Combined Final Report Regarding Those Fee Applications with *De Minimis* or No Fee or Expense Issues for the Fifty-First Interim Application Period (Docket #32197), filed on or about May 13, 2014, in which we recommended approval of fees totaling \$46,128.00 and expenses totaling \$37,682.55. These recommendations were adopted in the Order Approving Quarterly Fee Applications for the Fifty-First Period, dated May 23, 2014 (Docket #32216).

6. We have reviewed the final reports and orders allowing fees and expenses for the prior interim periods, and we do not believe there is any reason to change any of the amounts awarded for the prior interim periods.

CONCLUSION

7. Thus, we recommend final approval of 4,403,059.25 in fees 4,404,155.25 minus

³We note that the total of the fees requested in Casner's 50 prior fee applications, plus the compensation sought in the One Hundred Forty-Eighth Monthly Application, is \$4,404,155.25. It does not appear that Casner has deducted from this amount any of the reductions ordered by the Court for the prior periods, which periods are discussed in more detail in paragraph 5, to arrive at the figure it seeks of \$4,404,155.25. We note that the Court has ruled on the First through Fifty-First Interim Periods, but no ruling has been made on the Fifty-Second Interim Period.

\$1,096.00)⁴ and \$2,052,061.09 in expenses (\$2,052,100.45⁵ minus \$39.36)⁶ for Casner's services for the Final Application Period.

Respectfully submitted,

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⁴This amount reflects the \$1,096.00 in Court-approved fee reductions for the prior periods, not previously deducted by Casner.

⁵We note that the total of the expenses requested in Casner's 50 prior fee applications, plus the expenses sought in the One Hundred Forty-Eighth Monthly Application, is \$2,052,100.45. It does not appear that Casner has deducted from this amount any of the reductions ordered by the Court for the prior periods, which periods are discussed in more detail in paragraph 5, to arrive at the figure it seeks of \$2,052,100.45. We note that the Court has ruled on the First through Fifty-First Interim Periods, but no ruling has been made on the Fifty-Second Interim Period.

⁶This amount reflects the \$39.36 in Court-approved expense reductions for the prior periods, not previously deducted by Casner.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been served by First Class United States mail to the attached service list on this 17th day of July, 2014.

Warren H. Smith

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